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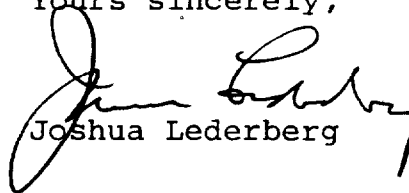
Mr. Byron P. Connell
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Dear Mr. Connell:

I was very happy to see your letter of October 24th with the information about the proposed program in Environmental Toxicology at Cornell University.

I believe that there is indeed a great unmet need in this area; and that Cornell may have the opportunity to assume a leadership position in an area of advanced scientific education which badly requires it. I am delighted to know of this initiative and would give it my strongest personal support.

Yours sincerely,



Joshua Lederberg

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cc: Dr. Frank H. T. Rhodes
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